

**SOCIALS**

Ray Foreman, a student at Howard College, Birmingham, spent Thanksgiving holidays with his parents.

Miss Wayne King spent Thanksgiving at Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky. She was a guest of Miss Ann Dunn.

Miss Cupidean Taylor, daughter of P. B. (Pine) Taylor became the bride of Mr. Frank Clark at a double ring ceremony at the Baptist Tabernacle on Thursday November 24th, with Rev O. M. Fox officiating.

Miss Olean Taylor, of New York City was her sister's only attendant. She wore a beautiful dress of pale yellow. Her flowers were shoulder corsage of deep yellow.

The bride chose for her wedding two piece suit of blue wool. Her accessories were black and her corsage was a single white orchid.

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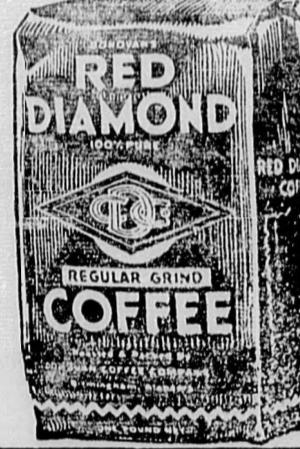
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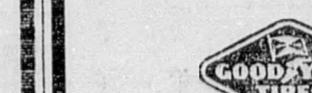
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Alabama Youth Wins High Honor in 4-H Meat Animal Program



Miss Winnie Brewster, who has been convalescing at her home in West Elba for the past two weeks, following an operation in a Birmingham hospital, went to that city Sunday for a check-up. She hoped to get permission from her doctor to return to her home in Elba. Mrs. Verna's Administration in Montgomery. Ms. and Mrs. Cleo Hawkins accompanied her to Montgomery Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Fred L. Davis spent several days recently in Montgomery visiting the former mother who underwent a serious operation in a Montgomery hospital. They report that Mrs. Davis is getting along nicely.

Bert F. Conner, of Luverne, spent Thanksgiving in Elba with his family.

Mrs. Halmon Taylor has returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Currie Taylor, following a minor operation at Gibson Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sowards and daughter, Cynthia Ann have returned to their home in Texarkana, Texas after a visit to the home of Mrs. Sowards parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Vaughan.

Miss Mariana Bowden, student at STC, Troy, visited relatives in Elba during the weekend.

Troy spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Gordon Cain, in the Basin community.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Parker and family have just returned from a few days trip to points in South Florida.

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The need is urgent simply of academic interest to zoologists and biologists. Lately it has become increasingly important to oceanographers have done a lot of charting and studying of static features of oceans such as depth, terrain, and major currents. But they admit the vast lack of knowledge of detailed matters—for instance, the interaction of ocean waters and the atmosphere, or rapid changes in temperature at different locations, depths and times. These are probably critical factors in phenomena such as marine.

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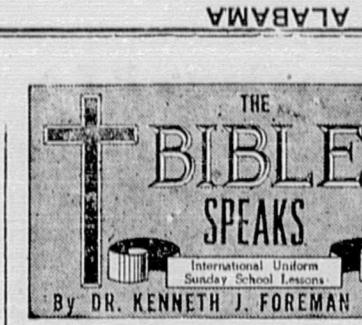
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1948

## "Up-river" Settlers Won Election Of 1852, Settling County Seat In Elba

**Editor's Note**—The article below was taken from "Piney Woods Echoes" by Fred S. Watson. This book, a history of Dale County, is being published by the Clipper and Coffee Counties is being sold on sale in the two counties December 19th.

location of the courthouse and did not wish it rebuilt at Wellborn. The legislature had arbitrarily stated that the county seat should be close to the center of the county without taking into consideration the wishes of the people or the fact that the center area was the most sparsely settled in the county. Most of the people lived in the northern portion, centered around Elba at the junction of Pea River and Whitewater Creek; and at Indigo Head (Clintonville) located in township five, range twenty-one, section thirteen, and situated, as was Elba, on the main east and west road.

The question of the location of the county seat came up again and the legislature on January 23, 1845, appointed commissioners to select, on or before the first day of March of that year, "forty acres of land which are within one mile of the center of Coffee County, which shall be selected as the permanent site or seat of justice for said county". As soon as the selection was made the commissioners were required to have the town surveyed and laid off into convenient lots "suitable for a courthouse town". The lots were to be sold to the highest bidders. After the sale of the lots they were required to contract for the building of a courthouse and a jail.

The courthouses and jail were completed in 1846. They were made of logs and very crudely constructed. Some lots in the town site were sold, but there is no exact knowledge that any private buildings were erected at Wellborn.

The old courthouse was located about twelve miles west of Enterprise and one mile east of Damascus Baptist Church.

About the time the county seat was set up at Wellborn many settlers were moving in and around what is now Elba. These settlers "up the river" as they were called, wanted the courthouse moved there; while the settlers in the "piney woods" wanted it to remain at Wellborn.

The courthouse in Wellborn was destroyed by fire in March 1851, and the legislature on February 5, 1852, required the probate judge to procure all deeds, marriage licenses and all other papers required by law to be recorded, which may be deposited in the office for that purpose. The same legislature on December 16, 1851 authorized the judge of probate and the commissioners of roads and revenues, to levy a tax, not to exceed fifty percent of the state tax "for the express purpose of building a courthouse and appurtenances in and for said county."

The story still persists that the burning of the courthouse was arson, as most of the people were not satisfied with its location. There is nothing to support this story, for no charges were brought against anyone. It was the intention of the legislature for the new court house to be built on the location where the old one was burned.

The people had never been satisfied with the old



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the ferry is not known but it is believed to have been in the early 1830's.

In 1852 after Elba was selected as the county seat, the town was moved back from the river one-half mile, the town in the new location planned with the streets leading from the court square.

In 1850 post offices were located at Geneva, Henderson's Store, Rocky Head, Haw Ridge, and Victoria, besides Clintonville and Elba. In the election of 1859 boxes were located at the following places: Elba, Danahly, Coffee Corner, Tilmon's Mill, Simmons' Mill, Smut Eye, Indigo Head, Haw Ridge, Grant, Wellborn, Geneva, Flat Creek, Old Town, and Rushing.

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The land on which Elba is located was entered by Ephraim King on February 17, 1836. About the year 1840 King sold his holdings to John B. Simmons and his brother-in-law, Cappa T. Yelverton. Simmons and Yelverton organized the Simmons Mercantile Company which was the first store in Elba. For many years the post office was located in their store building and Mr. Simmons served as postmaster. They called the town "Bentonville" in honor of Colonel Thomas Hart Benton Senator from Missouri who won the favor of Alabama Senator from Mississippi who was serving in Alabama, and in the Creek war of 1813-14 serving in Alabama and commanding Fort Montgomery.

Coffee County was then hard hit by floods and other disasters resulting in great loss to the county and additional expenditures necessary to rebuild.

In 1929 the greatest flood in the history of Coffee County hit Elba. The flood destroyed homes of poor and wealthy alike, costing the citizens of Elba thousands of dollars in loss. The flood also played havoc with the roads and bridges throughout the county. This cost the county several thousand dollars.

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